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SUBJECT: BARLEY MALT ADVANCE FIXING CERTIFICATES

REF: EC BRUSSELS 01469

1. THE EC COMMISSION RECENTLY DISCOVERED TO ITS CHAGRIN THAT THE
COMMUNITY BARLEY MALT EXPORT TRADE, LARGELY THE FRENCH AND BELGIAN IN-

DUSTRIES, HAD FOUND A LEGAL WAY TO EXTEND BY SIX MONTHS THE PERIOD OF
VALIDITY OF BARLEY MALT PRE-FIXING CERTIFICATES, AND TO OBTAIN FULL USE

OF THE EXPORT SUBSIDY DURING THAT PERIOD. THIS IN EFFECT MAKES CERTI-

FICATES VALID FOR A TOTAL OF EIGHTEEN MONTHS, THAT IS, ELEVEN MONTHS
PLUS THE MONTH OF ISSUANCE, PLUS THE EXTRA SIX MONTHS.

2. ARTICLE 3 OF COUNCIL REGULATION 441/69 (OJ L59) STATES THAT THE
SUBSIDY IS PAYABLE UPON REQUEST AS SOON AS THE MERCHANDISE IS PLACED
IN A BONDED OR FREE ZONE WAREHOUSE; AND ARTICLE 4 OF COMMISSION
REGULATION 1957/69 (OJ L250) STATES THAT MERCHANDISE PLACED IN SUCH
WAREHOUSES MAY REMAIN THERE FOR SIX MONTHS. THUS, A CERTIFICATE ISSUED
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ON JULY 14, THE LAST EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE HIGHEST SUBSIDY OF 7.93 U.A. AND THE HIGHEST CORRECTIVE AMOUNT OF 63.17 U.A., COULD BE USED UNDER THE EXISTING SYSTEM THROUGH DECEMBER 1976.

3. THE GRAINS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE VOTED ON FEBRUARY 19 TO REDUCE THE SIX/MONTH PERIOD REFERRED TO ABOVE TO ONE MONTH. THE FRENCH AND BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVES REPORTEDLY WERE RELUCTANT FOR POLITICAL REASONS. OUR SOURCES EXPECT THE COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION IN ITS FEBRUARY 25 MEETING. SUCH A DECISION WOULD AFFECT EXPORTERS WHO ALREADY HAVE BARLEY MALT IN BONDED WAREHOUSES UNDER THE PRESENT SYSTEM. TO COMPENSATE FOR ANY HARDSHIP CAUSED THEM, THE COMMISSION IS CONSIDERING A SPECIAL SUBSIDY OF 35 U.A. PER METRIC TON. HINTON

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